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Greg Spooner et al.

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CONTROLLED SPATIALLY-SELECTIVE
EPIDERMAL PIGMENTATION
PHOTOTHERAPY WITH UVA LEDs

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT

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This Information Disclosure Statement:

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The Examiner is reminded that a "concise explanation of the relevance" of the submitted items "may be nothing more than identification of the particular figure or paragraph of the patent or publication which has some relation to the claimed invention," MPEP § 609.

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Respectfully submitted,

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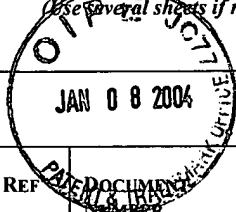
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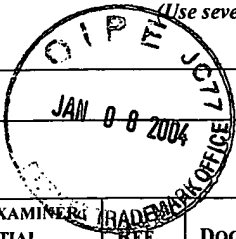
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